

**RESOLUTION
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

WHEREAS, the Regional Planning Commission (Commission) of the County of Los Angeles (County) conducted a public hearing on April 22, 2015; December 10, 2014; September 17, 2014; August 20, 2014; July 30, 2014; and June 18, 2014, regarding Project Number R2011-00518-(1-5), the proposed Technical Update to Title 22 (Technical Update).

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors authorized the Zoning Code Streamlining Project on June 21, 2004. Subsequently, the Zoning Code Streamlining Project evolved into the Zoning Ordinance Update Program and further evolved into the Technical Update.

WHEREAS, the proposed Technical Update to Title 22 (Technical Update) comprehensively updates Title 22, the County's Planning and Zoning code, according to the following:

1. The Technical Update reorganizes, clarifies, and simplifies countywide standards and procedures.
2. The Technical Update combines logical information into sections, chapters, and divisions.
3. The Technical Update corrects errors and omissions.
4. The Technical Update adds tables and figures to illustrate complex information and adds or modernizes maps.
5. The Technical Update will not add new uses or standards, nor incorporate policy memos. Changes such as these may be addressed as separate and future topic- or policy-specific updates to Title 22.
6. The Technical Update reorganizes and provides minimal edits to community standards districts.
7. The Technical Update incorporates specific plans that were adopted and held separate from Title 22 into Title 22 with no changes made.

WHEREAS, the Technical Update will amend Title 22 by replacing it with the attached Title 22, consisting of:

1. Volume I – Countywide Provisions
 - a. Division 1 (Introductory Provisions)
 - b. Division 2 (Definitions)
 - c. Division 3 (Zones)
 - d. Division 4 (Combining Zones and Supplemental Districts)
 - e. Division 5 (Special Management Areas)

- f. Division 6 (Development Standards)
 - g. Division 7 (Standards for Specific Uses)
 - h. Division 8 (Permits, Reviews, and Legislative Actions)
 - i. Division 9 (Administration)
- 2. Volume II – Community Standards Districts
 - 3. Volume III – Specific Plans

WHEREAS, the Commission finds as follows:


- 1. The Technical Update represents a comprehensive effort to update Title 22, which was last comprehensively updated in 1974.
- 2. At the June 18, 2014 public hearing, the Commission considered Divisions 8 and 9.
- 3. At the July 30, 2014 public hearing, the Commission considered Divisions 3 and 7.
- 4. At the September 17, 2014 public hearing, the Commission considered Divisions 1, 2, 4, 5, and 6.
- 5. At the December 10, 2014 public hearing, the Commission considered Volume I in its entirety and reviewed the scope of work for Volumes II and III.
- 6. At the April 22, 2015 public hearing, the Commission considered the entire proposed Technical Update: Volumes I, II, and III.
- 7. Pursuant to Section 22.60.174 of Title 22, the public hearing notice was published in the Los Angeles Times on May 16, 2014. In addition to the minimum notification requirements, Staff also: (1) published the public hearing notice in the Antelope Valley Press on May 16, 2014 and La Opinion on May 17 and 24, 2014, (2) also emailed courtesy public hearing notices to 1,000 people for each public hearing date, and (3) made presentations to nine community groups.
- 8. Two comments were received from the public regarding the Technical Update. The first comment requested that OS Staff review Chapter 22.180 on “Modifications and Revocations” for an omission. OS Staff determined that a section had been omitted from the existing code and that OS Staff would update the draft. The second comment requested information on how the Technical Update would affect a specific property. Since the Technical Update will not add new uses, standards, nor incorporate policy memos, the specific property is not affected.
- 9. The Technical Update is compatible with and supportive of the policies of the Los Angeles County General Plan in that improves governmental effectiveness by making Title 22 easier to understand and use.

10. The Technical Update is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan in that it will "maximize the effectiveness of process, structure, operations, and strong fiscal management to support timely delivery of customer-oriented and efficient public services" (Goal #1 Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability).
11. The adoption of the Technical Update is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per Section 15305 (Class 5, Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations), and per Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3). The Technical Update is administrative in nature and has no physical effect on the environment.
12. The location of the documents and other materials constituting the record of proceedings upon which the Commission's decision is based in this matter is at the Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning, 13th Floor, Hall of Administration, 320 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012. The custodian of such documents and materials shall be the Supervising Regional Planner of the Ordinance Studies Section, Los Angeles County Regional Planning.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Regional Planning Commission recommends to the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles as follows:

1. That the Board hold a public hearing to consider the amendment to Title 22 of the Los Angeles County Code to adopt the Technical Update to Title 22; and
2. That the Board find the adoption of the Technical Update to Title 22 is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by a majority of the voting members of the Regional Planning Commission of the County of Los Angeles on April 22, 2015.



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APPROVED AS TO FORM: OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

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